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STATISTICS OF AMERICAN STATES.

NO. 7.

GRANADAN CONFEDERATION.

(*Formerly the "Republic of New Granada."*)

Lat. 12° 30′ N. to 3° 40′ S.	Populat'n (1856) 2,363,054.
Long. 65° 50′ to 83° 10′ W.	Density, 4.51 to sq. mile.
Area, 521,948 sq. miles.	Capital, STA FE DE BOGOTA.

GOVERNMENT.

Executive.—A President, elected by the people for four years. The present incumbent was elected 20 July, 1857.

Administration.—1. Minister of the Interior; 2. Minister of Foreign Relations; 3. Minister of Finance, all appointed by the President; and 4. the Attorney General.

Legislature.—A Congress, consisting of a Senate of twenty-four members, three from each State, and a House of Representatives of thirty-eight members, apportioned in the ratio of one to every 70,000 inhabitants, and an additional member where any State has a fractional remainder of 25,000 or upwards. Members of both houses are elected by direct popular vote for two years. The annual session commences 1st Feb., and its duration is limited to 70 days. Members, though they can only vote in their respective houses, may speak in both or either.

Judiciary.—A Supreme Court at the capital, with three justices elected by the people; and circuit and district courts. The Attorney-General is elected for four years, as are also the justices of the Supreme Court, the latter being also the judges of the circuits.

National Religion.—The Holy Apostolic Roman Catholic. The establishment is under the charge of the Archbishop of Santa Fe de Bogota, and the Bishops of Popayan, Pamplona, Antioquia, Cartagena and Santa Marta. All other religions are tolerated and protected.

State Organization.—Each of the eight States composing the Confederation has its separate Governor, Legislature and Judiciary, and is entirely independent in all that relates to its internal affairs. The national government alone has cognizance of foreign relations.

STATES OF THE CONFEDERATION.

(*According to the Constitutional Law of* 27 *Feb.*, 1855.)

States, etc.	Old Provinces.	Population.	
PANAMA	Panama	52,522	
(*Cap.*, Panama)	Azuero	34,643	
—29,805 sq. m.	Veraguas	33,864	
	Chiriqui	17,279	138,308
BOLIVAR	Cartagena	103,783	
(*Cap.*, Cartagena)	Sabanilla	48,167	
—34,372 sq. m.	Mompox	30,207	182,157
MAGDALENA	Santa Marta	36,485	
(*Cap.*, Santamarta)	Rio Hacha	17,247	
—36,109 sq. m.	Valle d'Upar	14,032	
	Ocana (part)	5,222	72,986
SANTANDER	Ocana (part)	18,680	
(*Cap.*, Pamplona)	Pamplona	62,990	
—19,637 sq. m.	Santander	21,282	
	Soto	54,767	
	Socorro	157,085	
	Velez (part)	64,024	378,828
ANTIOQUIA	Antioquia	75,053	
(*Cap.*, Antioquia)	Cordoba	90,841	
—33,715 sq. m.	Medellin	77,494	243,388
BOYACA	Tunja	133,463	
(*Cap.*, Tunja)	Tundama	152 753	
—54,849 sq. m.	Casanare	18,573	
	Velez (part)	45,397	350,186
CUNDINAMARCA	Bogota	144,592	
(*Cap.*, BOGOTA)	Cundinamarca	81,215	
—116,480 sq. m.	Mariquita	86,894	
	Tequendama	56,126	
	Zipaquira	83,125	
	Neiva (part)	94,918	546,870
CAUCA	Choco	43,649	
(*Cap.*, Popayan)	Buenaventura	31,150	
—196,981 sq. m.	Cauca	70,748	
	Popayan	77,105	
	Pasto	27,620	
	Barbacoas	26,519	
	Tuquerres	43,107	
	Neiva (part)	6,757	
	Ter. del Caqueta	3,676	330,331
Total population			2,243,054

RACES AND CASTES.

Caucasians		450,003
American civilized races		301,000
Negros		80,000
Mixed—Quadroons	30,054	
Mestizos	998,997	
Mulattoes	283,000	
Zamboes	100,000	
		1,412,051

—and besides there are of uncivilized Indians dwelling in the plains from 108,000 to 120,000.

PROGRESS OF POPULATION.

Year	Population.		Incr. per cent.
1770	806,209		
1783	1,046,641	1770-1783	29.8
1825	1,258,259	1783-1825	19.2
1835	1,687,109	1825-1835	34.1
1843	1,932,279	1835-1843	14.5
1853	2,243,054	1843-1853	10.9

CHIEF TOWNS.

Bogota (capital) 29,649, Guaduas 9,049, Choconta 8,460, Neiva 7,716, Ybague 7,152, Ubate 6,754, Tocayma 6,574.

Popayan 22,708, Cali 11,848, Pasto 8,136,

Cartago 6,744, Buga 6,513, Tuquerres 6,100, Barbacoas 5,249.

Medellin 13,755, Antioquia 8,637, Rio Negro 3,099.

Velez 11,178, Moniquira 9,127, Tunja 5,122, Santa Rosa 4,996, Leiva 3,305.

Socorro 15,015, Bucaramanga 10,018, Pamplona 9,095, San Jose 5,741, Ocana 5,046.

Cartagena 9,896, Mompox 7,336, Santa Marta 4,340, Rio Hacha 2,974.

Panama 6,566, Aspinwall 2,000, David 2,800, Los Santos 2,004, Chagres 1,340, Porto Bello 1,185.

COMMERCE.*

	1855-'56.	1856-'57.
Imports	.....	$3,255,843
Exports	$7,929,350	7,064,584

Distribution of Commerce, 1856-'57.

Imports.		Exports.	
U. Kingdom	$1,748,682	U. Kingdom	$3,466,645
France	676,306	Bremen	1,340,577
United States	302,016	Venezuela	915,277
Venezuela	212,862	United States	434,487
West Indies	185,249	Peru	427,572
Peru	62,322	West Indies	264,838
Bremen, etc	34,581	France, etc	124,507

COMMERCE WITH UNITED STATES.

(*From Report of U. S. Treasury Department.*)

	Exports from U.S.			Imports
Years.	Domestic Produce.	Foreign Produce.	Total Exports.	into U. States.
1849	$244,460	$53,324	$297,784	$158,960
1850	970,619	285,600	1,256,219	591,992
1851	2,507,701	533,121	3,040,822	695,606
1852	1,298,236	217,558	1,515,794	750,527
1853	753,391	103,079	856,470	553,528
1854	855,254	82,052	937,306	1,478,520
1855	892,245	169,800	1,062,045	1,799,672
1856	1,444,843	166,549	1,611,392	2,325,019
1857	1,770,209	267,480	2,037,689	2,468,169
1858	1,489,583	199,084	1,688,667	3,099,721

The great difference in the value of the commerce as given by the New Granadan and American returns is found in the fact that the first takes no note of the supplies for the railroad and steamship service of the Isthmus.

FINANCES.

	Revenue.	Expenditures.
1851-'52	$1,553,513	$2,145,779
1852-'53	2,227,567	2,842,184
1853-'54	1,939,662	2,731,850
1854-'55	1,461,535	2,029,531
1855-'56	1,895,983	1,456,148
1857'-58	1,916,508	1,839,078

Public Debt, 1856 ..... $33,129,730

* Not including the transit commerce of the Isthmus.

PRODUCTION OF GOLD 1856-'57.

From washings without machinery	$1,669,000
" rivers with machinery	1,000,000
" veins by chemical process	687,923
Total production	$3,356,923

PANAMA RAILROAD.

Opened for traffic from Aspinwall—

1852,	1 March, to Ahorca Lagato	13 miles.
"	13 " to Bujio Soldado	16 "
"	6 July, to Barbacoas	23 "
1854,	31 January, to Obispo	31 "
"	1 September, to Summit	37 "
1855,	28 January, to Panama	47½ "

ARMED FORCE.

In 1857, by a law of Congress, the regular army was reduced to 500 men, who were to form a demi-battalion of light infantry, to be stationed at Bogota. Besides this force there are two companies of light infantry in the State of Cauca, and one regiment of artillery of four companies, a part of which is stationed at Panama, and the remainder at Cartagena and Santa Marta. The national guard or militia is charged with the quiet of the interior, and belongs to the States severally.

WEIGHTS, MEASURES AND MONEYS.

Old—On the Spanish basis.

New—French metrical values. R. S. F.

BRITISH MERCANTILE MARINE.

(*Official Return, December* 31, 1856.)

1.—TOTAL SHIPPING.

	Vessels.	Tons.	Seamen.
England and Wales	19,778	3,461,031	156,913
Scotland	3,354	592,974	29,987
Ireland	2,203	250,455	13,403
Isle of Man and Channel Islands	842	62,496	5,424
Colonies	9,835	945,480	61,846
Total	36,012	5,312,436	267,573

2.—STEAM VESSELS—(included in above.)

	Vessels.	Tons.
England and Wales	1,272	275,635
Scotland	270	73,534
Ireland	145	35,869
Isle of Man	6	1,192
Channel Islands	4	232
Colonial	253	32,275
Total	1,950	418,737

3.—SEAMEN.

England and Wales	156,913
Scotland	29,987
Ireland	13,403
Isle of Man and Channel Islands	5,424
Colonies	61,846
Total	267,573